

SC Annual School Report Card Summary

SOUTH POINTE HIGH

York 3

Grades: 9-12

Enrollment: 1,415

Principal: Dr. Al Leonard

Superintendent: Lynn P. Moody

Board Chair: Bob Norwood

PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
			General Performance	Closing the Gap		
2010	Average	Below Average	TBD	TBD	Not Met	N/A
2009	Average	Good	Silver	Silver	Not Met	N/A
2008	Average	N/A	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF HIGH SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
4	16	10	0	0

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 03/24/2011. Schools with Students Like Ours are High Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

HIGH SCHOOL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM(HSAP) EXAM PASSAGE RATE(%): SECOND YEAR STUDENTS

	Our High School		High Schools with Students Like Ours	
	2009	2010	2009	2010
Passed 2 subtests (%)	77.7%	80.0%	77.7%	80.8%
Passed 1 subtest (%)	11.0%	12.4%	12.3%	10.8%
Passed no subtests (%)	11.3%	7.6%	10.0%	8.7%

HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2010

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Passage Rate	91.0%	91.4%

ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Number of students	387	327
Number of Diplomas	274	240
Rate (%)	70.8%	72.4%

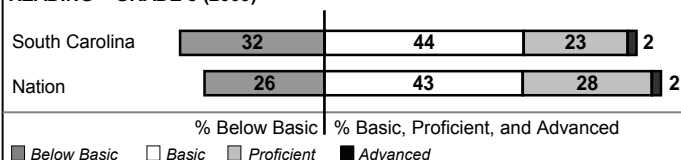
END OF COURSE TESTS - 2010

% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	75.6	77.1
English 1	62.9	71.2
Physical Science	52.8	62.2
US History and the Constitution	43.8	48.2
All Tests	57.6	64.3

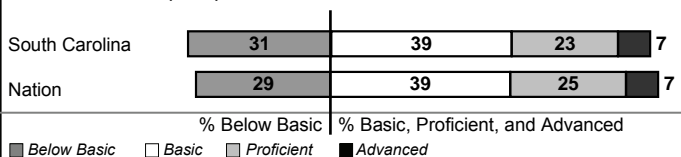
NAEP PERFORMANCE*

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.

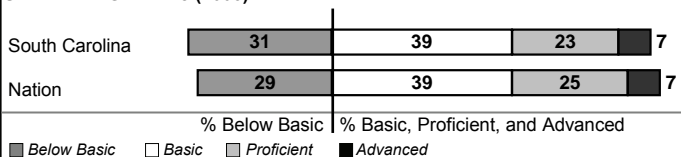
READING - GRADE 8 (2009)



MATH - GRADE 8 (2009)



SCIENCE - GRADE 8 (2005)



SC PERFORMANCE GOAL

2010 Goal:

By 2010, SC's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.

2020 Vision:

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	High Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
Students (n=1,415)				
Retention rate	7.4%	Down from 8.0%	2.9%	3.7%
Attendance rate	97.9%	Up from 95.6%	95.7%	95.4%
Eligible for gifted and talented	13.9%	Up from 7.4%	16.4%	12.4%
With disabilities other than speech	14.2%	Up from 13.5%	12.5%	12.8%
Older than usual for grade	11.8%	Up from 10.3%	7.6%	9.1%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	2.8%	Down from 4.8%	1.5%	1.1%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	21.2%	Down from 23.8%	18.4%	13.1%
Successful on AP/IB exams	55.5%	Down from 57.6%	57.3%	50.4%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	30.0%	Down from 31.4%	34.2%	30.4%
Annual dropout rate	3.2%	Up from 2.4%	3.4%	3.1%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	0.0%	No Change	2.2%	2.2%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	681	Down from 861	544	424
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	76.8%	Down from 83.4%	79.1%	78.7%
Teachers (n=82)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	74.4%	Up from 71.9%	64.6%	60.4%
Continuing contract teachers	76.8%	Up from 67.4%	80.2%	76.6%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	5.3%	Down from 6.6%	4.4%	6.5%
Teachers returning from previous year	88.8%	Down from 89.4%	87.9%	86.8%
Teacher attendance rate	96.2%	Up from 93.8%	96.0%	95.8%
Average teacher salary*	\$48,356	Up 3.4%	\$48,837	\$47,390
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	Down from 3.1%	0.6%	2.8%
Professional development days/teacher	8.4 days	Down from 11.9 days	10.0 days	10.0 days
School				
Principal's years at school	5.0	Up from 4.0	5.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	28.1 to 1	Up from 26.8 to 1	28.5 to 1	25.8 to 1
Prime instructional time	93.6%	Up from 88.2%	91.1%	90.1%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$7,295	Up 10.7%	\$7,542	\$7,974
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	59.5%	Down from 60.1%	56.5%	55.4%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	62.4%	Down from 63.2%	61.3%	60.4%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	91.8%	Down from 100.0%	94.5%	96.0%
Character development program	Good	No Change	Good	Good
% of AYP objectives met	82.4%	Up from 57.1%	72.7%	69.2%

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	60	201	18
Percent satisfied with learning environment	83.3%	72.0%	77.8%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	96.7%	78.7%	77.8%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	75.0%	78.5%	62.5%

*Only students at the highest high school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

The 2009-2010 school term marked South Pointe's fifth year of existence, having opened in the fall of 2005 with freshmen and sophomores. Many of the principles upon which the school was founded manifested themselves in tangible ways – particularly our emphasis on students taking the most rigorous courses they were able to successfully complete and our goal of meeting students' individual academic needs.

South Pointe received the Silver Award from the State Department of Education for the school's overall performance as measured on the State Report Card. The award was in recognition of the level of growth in the graduation rate, the percentage of students passing end-of-course exams, and students' performance on the HSAP Exit Exam.

South Pointe had forty-one full-IB Diploma Seniors, the second largest number in the state of South Carolina in terms of enrollment and percentage. Thirty-two seniors took Advanced Placement (AP) exams, and eight of those are candidates for the AP Scholar award. Fourteen seniors earned a uniform GPA between 4.2 and 4.49 with a minimum of 28 credits in grades 9-12 and were designated as honor graduates, while twenty-two with a GPA of 4.5 or above received highest honors. Fourteen South Pointe seniors were inducted into the National Technical Honor Society by the district's Applied Technology Center (ATC).

The South Pointe Air Force Junior ROTC received the Distinguished Unit Award, and three seniors received service academy appointments – one each to West Point, the US Air Force Academy, and the Coast Guard Academy. South Pointe's relatively small graduating class of 279 students generated \$9.75 million in academic scholarships. The Academic Booster Club recognized 445 students for academic achievement.

The student-produced newspaper, South Pointe in the News (SPiN), earned an All-State rating by the South Carolina Scholastic Press Association and was selected as the top paper in its class in the state this year. South Pointe's yearbook, The Equestrian, received rave reviews and was submitted by the publication company for inclusion in "Ideas that Fly," a compilation of the best yearbook spreads and designs from high schools across the nation. The Visual Art Department completed a six foot by twenty-four foot mural of running horses that is displayed at the school's entrance. This mural is comprised of approximately 42,000 gumballs creating a pixilated image.

The Band of Thunder won the 1A/2A/3A Grand Championship at the Shelby Golden Classic. The Stallion Corral Concert Choir received a superior rating at the state contest in Columbia, placing fifth out of 35 4A choirs. All fifteen participants in Vocal Solo/Ensemble received superior ratings. The South Pointe Orchestra earned its third consecutive Superior rating at Concert Festival.

Thirty-seven seniors were recognized by the South Carolina High School League as Scholar Athletes, having maintained a GPA of at least 3.5 for seven semesters and having exhibited outstanding citizenship and sportsmanship.

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